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Smoking, Open Flame Restrictions in Monterey District

Due to the extreme fire danger posed by the current dry conditions and in keeping with the Governor's Declaration of Drought State of Emergency, effective immediately, California State Parks Monterey District is implementing a ban on smoking and campfires in the following units of the state park system; Point Lobos State Natural Reserve, the properties formerly known as A.M Allan Ranch (Point Lobos Ranch), Garrapata State Park, Hatton Canyon, Fremont Peak State Park, and Henry W. Coe State Park.

All state park units in Big Sur are already the subject of an order that follows the US Forest Service Los Padres National Forest restrictions. This is a notice that these orders will be enforced. Smoking and open flame will be prohibited in all areas except designated campsites and designated fire rings or camp stoves. California State Parks Monterey District intends to keep these orders in place until the emergency is lifted.

California State Parks Mission

To provide for the health, inspiration and education of the people of California by helping to preserve the state's extraordinary biological diversity, protecting its most valued natural and cultural resources, and creating opportunities for high-quality outdoor recreation. For more information, visit www.parks.ca.gov.